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Via CM/ECF Filing

The Honorable Joseph J. Farnan, Jr.
United States District Court
District of Delaware
844 North King Street
Lock Box 27
Wilmington, DE 19801

RE: **Dobrich, et al. v. Walls, et al.**, Civil Action No. 05-120-JJF

Dear Judge Farnan:

This is defendant Reginald L. Helms' status report, submitted in accord with the Court's November 3, 2005 Order. (D.I. 76).

This case is currently stayed. (See id.). Discovery has been on hold since June. (See D.I. 53).

Mediation is ongoing and has the potential to settle almost every aspect of the case save the notable exception of the Board's Voluntary Prayer Policy - which is off the settlement table.

Several motions are currently pending before the Court. They are:

- Defendant Helms' Motion for Summary Judgment on the Board's Voluntary Prayer Policy, as Written (D.I. 60),
- Plaintiffs' Motion to Continue or Deny Defendant Helms' Motion (D.I. 63),
- Defendant Helms' Motion to Strike Portions of Plaintiffs' Reply Brief and Declaration for Failure to Comply with Local Rule 7.1.3 (D.I. 70),

- The Non-Helms Defendants' Motion to Strike the Complaint or Portions thereof (D.I. 30).

I am at the Court's disposal to address these matters further.

Respectfully submitted,

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